

**AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS**

**This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:**

**LISTING OF CLAIMS:**

1. (currently amended): A resin composition to be used for electric wire sheaths, wherein the resin composition comprises

a polyolefin resin mixed with an ultrafine nylon fibers-dispersed polyolefin resin composition;

a bromine-containing flame retardant ~~and~~ or magnesium hydroxide particles; and  
silica particles.

2. (original): The resin composition as set forth in claim 1, wherein a blend ratio of a polyolefin (PO) and ultrafine nylon fibers (Ny) in the ultrafine nylon fibers-dispersed polyolefin resin composition falls within a range from 5:5 to 9:1 (PO:Ny).

3. (original): The resin composition as set forth in claim 2, wherein the blend ratio is 8:2 (PO:Ny).

4. (canceled).

5. (previously presented): The resin composition as set forth in claim 1, wherein the ultrafine nylon fibers-dispersed polyolefin resin composition is comprised of a polyolefin, ultrafine nylon fibers, a silane coupling agent and silica particles.

6. (previously presented): The resin composition as set forth in claim 5, wherein the ultrafine nylon fibers are comprised of at least one of silica particles and magnesium hydroxide particles.

7. (previously presented): The resin composition as set forth in claim 5, wherein a mean fiber diameter of ultrafine nylon fibers is not greater than 5  $\mu\text{m}$ , and an aspect ratio thereof falls within a range from 20 to 1000.

8. (original): An electric wire, comprising a sheath comprised of the resin composition as set forth in claim 1.